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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, immediately following the title, please insert the following sentence: This is a ³⁷nationalization of PCT/GB00/01807 filed May 11, 2000 and published in English.--

Please incorporate the new Abstract of the Disclosure into the specification, submitted herewith on a separate sheet.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3, 5, 9, 12, 14 and 16 as follows:

AR 3. (amended) A nicotine delivery system according to claim 1, in which the microcapsules comprise yeast cells.

K3 5. (amended) A nicotine delivery system according to claim 1, presented in a solid carrier from the surface of which

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